

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park – Park Manager 2

Division of Tennessee State Parks, Bureau of Parks and Conservation

Annual Salary Range: \$42,396 - \$67,860

About the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC)

The department is responsible for:

- Safeguarding the health and safety of Tennessee citizens from environmental hazards;
- Protecting and improving the quality of Tennessee's land, air, and water, and
- Managing the system of 56 Tennessee State Parks and 85 Natural Areas

TDEC has approximately 2,900 employees working across Tennessee supported by a total budget of more than \$300 million with funding from dedicated fees and state parks revenue, federal sources, and the state general fund. The department is the chief environmental and natural resource regulatory agency in Tennessee with delegated responsibility from the U.S. EPA to regulate sources of air pollution, radiological health issues, solid and hazardous waste, underground storage tanks, water pollution, water supply, and groundwater pollution. TDEC has eight (8) regional offices across the state serving as the primary point of contact for their respective regions.

Summary & Distinguishing Features

The Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park Manager is an Executive Service position and part of the Department's Park and Conservation Management team. The Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park Manager reports to the Middle Tennessee Parks Area Manager. The most important duty of this position is to ensure that the mission of Tennessee State Parks is achieved and implemented, while managing the day-to-day operations and staff at Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park.

Duties and Essential Functions

The Bicentennial Capitol Mall State Park Manager's primary responsibilities include:

- Administration of an annual operating budget of \$788,900 and projected revenues in excess of \$120,000.
- Manage 7 full-time staff and provide consistent coaching and performance evaluations throughout the year. Conduct regular meetings with park staff for effective communication of objectives and management strategies.
- Oversee a grounds and facility maintenance contract to ensure services provided are aligned with contract expectations.
- Manage oversight of the park's revenues that are predominately generated through special use permit fees. Coordinate with the Middle TN Regional Maintenance Office, to provide oversight and facility maintenance for the all of the park's facilities.

- Natural and cultural resource management of the park's 7 acres including numerous monuments and native plantings that focuses on the history and diversity of the state of Tennessee.
- Study and evaluate park operations and make recommendations/decisions on services to enhance economy and to improve the quality of operations and services.
- Establish performance measures for operations and programs that allow for effective measures of accountability, and provide for evaluation of quality and feasibility of operations and programs. Participate in the implementation and coordination of policies and methods for park operations. Study, review, and enforce state policies and guidelines at the park level.
- Responsible for establishing, reviewing and following the parks Management Directive Statement, Business & Management Plan, Interpretive Action Plan, Safety and Security/Emergency Management Plan, Park Facilities Management Plan and Standard Operating Procedures.
- Work closely with volunteers to develop a volunteer base that both supports the park through fundraising, interpretive activities and resource management projects.
- Participate in community outreach programs and partner with local businesses and area officials to promote the park and impact economic development.
- Assist with interpretive programming goals, marketing and promotional activities and facilities/maintenance management.

Competencies

- Proven leadership skills able to influence and motivate others to achieve quality results in an effective and efficient manner; success leading high performance teams. Competent at formulating long-range and strategic plans.
- An effective communicator with the ability to present complex topics effectively in a concise manner to a variety of audiences.
- Strong interpersonal skills dealing with people at all levels within the organization, as well as external stakeholders, including high level contacts in state, local and federal government as well as private entities, conservation organizations, corporate sponsors, and general public, and at times the media.
- Able to resolve problems with effective solutions.

Preferred Qualifications

Qualified candidates should possess a Bachelor's degree preferably in History or Cultural Resource Management, Park and Recreation Management or related field and have 5+ years' natural resource and/or parks and recreation professional experience. Minimum qualifications also include graduation from an accredited college or university with a bachelor's degree in one of the following areas: Natural or Cultural Sciences, (Natural Sciences: Biology (all), Geology, Botany, Animal Sciences, etc.) (Cultural Sciences: History, Archaeology, Anthropology, etc.), Natural and/or Cultural Resource Management, Park & Recreation/Sports & Leisure) with experience equivalent to two years of full-time increasingly responsible professional park and/or conservation work, of which one year must be supervisory. It is desired that the candidate be a state commissioned officer recognized by the Tennessee Law Enforcement Training Academy, or can qualify to become commissioned.

All interested candidates should submit <u>via email</u> (**TDEC.Careers@tn.gov**) resume and cover letter to Beth Smith, Director, Office of Talent Management. The position will remain posted until October 7, 2016. Additional questions regarding the position should be sent to <u>TDEC.Careers@tn.gov</u>.

Beth Smith, Director, Office of Talent Management

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